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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop: Amendment PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement Office Action dated June 6, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Election of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

I. Election

In the Office Action mailed June 6, 2005, the Examiner alleges that the application contains claims directed to two inventions and, thus, required restriction of either:

Claims 1-39 (Group I), drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device; or Claims 40-48 (Group II), drawn to a semiconductor device.

In response, Applicants hereby elect Group I, corresponding to claims 1-39. Applicants' election is made with traverse on the grounds that the embodiments delineated by the Examiner are not patentably distinct and therefore constitute a single invention concept.